

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post-office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**THREE-DIMENSIONAL OPTICAL MEMORY WITH FLUORESCENT PHOTOSENSITIVE MATERIAL**

the specification of which was filed on **20 May 1998** as PCT application **PCT/RO98/00006**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC 119 of any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

**Prior Foreign Applications**

Country	Number	Filing Date	Priority claimed
RO	97-00928	21 May 1997	Yes

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC 120 of the United States Application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States Application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Serial Number	Filing Date	Status
PCT/RO98/00006	20 May 1998	Pending

I hereby appoint as attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business connected therewith:  
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Serial number : Not known - US Nat'l phase of PCT/RO98/00006  
 Filed : Concurrently herewith  
 Title : THREE-DIMENSIONAL OPTICAL MEMORY WITH FLUORESCENT  
           PHOTOSENSITIVE MATERIAL  
 Inventor: : Eugen PAVEL

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL-ENTITY STATUS  
 37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b) – INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under 35 USC 41(a) and (b) to the Patent and Trademark office with regard to the invention entitled:

**THREE-DIMENSIONAL OPTICAL MEMORY WITH FLUORESCENT PHOTOSENSITIVE MATERIAL**  
 described in the specification filed herewith.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention or to any concern which would not qualify as a small-business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

- no such person, concern, or organization
- persons, concerns, or organizations listed below\*

\* Separate verified statements are required from each named entity having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27).

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual       Small-business concern       Nonprofit Organization

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual       Small-business concern       Nonprofit Organization

I acknowledge the duty to file in this application notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small-entity status prior to paying or at the time of paying the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under 18 USC 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application to which this verified statement is directed.

Date: 10/8/1999



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